Construction of the Bridge at Varapuzha.

248. *MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state why they are delaying the construction of the bridge sanctioned to be built at the(ഉണ്ടാകണം) east of the customs house at Varapuzha in Parur taluk?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: The work is being expedited and will be completed soon.

Circular re: the behaviour of the Police towards the public.

249. *MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the instructions recently issued by the Inspector-General of Police relating to the behaviour of the Police towards the public?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: A *copy of the circular containing the instructions is placed on the table.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: When the circular is marked "strictly confidential," may I know how the copy of the circular has been published?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: I was also wondering about the matter. Perhaps Government knows better and they see things ahead. They thought it would be advisable to publish it and hence the circular has been made known to the public.

PRESIDENT: Obviously the fact of the circular having been issued must have been disclosed by some person whose conduct will of course be investigated. A great statesman once said that the best way of giving publicity to any papers is to mark them 'secret' or 'confidential.' Then it is sure to appear the next day in all the newspapers.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know from the member what he means by "It would seem that the press has rather overdrawn the picture."

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: What I mean is that the criticism that there is enormous corruption, lack of morality, bad behaviour and drunkenness is not correct to that extent. That is why I stated that the press has rather overdrawn the picture. I grant that there was something.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: May I know whether, in the opinion of the member, the circular has done a lot of improvement to the irregularity of the police?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: I see that the results are rather good.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR: If the circular could effect the moral improvement, may I know why the Inspector-General of Police did not issue the circular before so that the irregularities of the police might be done away with earlier?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: When the matter was brought to my notice I thought it was time that I should issue a circular and I have done so.

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Appendix IV

Vide Answer to Question No. 249.

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There are criticisms in the press, suggesting corruption, lack of morality, bad behaviour and drunkenness amongst certain members of the Police Force. It would seem that the press has rather overdrawn the picture. Nonetheless, it has to be believed that there must be a modicum of truth in the allegations. All Officers are requested to conduct themselves in a manner creditable to themselves, the Police Force and the Government and try to keep themselves beyond the pale of reproach or even suspicion.

G. S. A. KARIM,
Inspector-General of Police.

Appendix V.

Vide Answer to Question No. 251.

The terms of the contract for the printing and sale of English Copy books.

1. The contractor shall deposit B. Rs. (350) Three hundred and fifty only as security for the due performance by him of the terms and conditions of this contract and on his part to be observed and performed.

2. The period of contract shall be 2 years commencing with the school year 1939-40.

3. The contractor shall pay to Government a royalty calculated at the rate of one chuckram per book and the amount due in respect of the books sold in each month shall be remitted into the nearest Government Treasury to the credit of the Government Press (XXI 2 C) at the end of that month.

4. The contractor shall submit to the Superintendent, Government Press, or such other officer as may be authorised in this behalf by Government, monthly returns of the copies of the books sold together with the chalan receipts evidencing the remittance of royalty due in the Treasury. The contractor shall also maintain a stock book correctly showing accounts of the books printed and sold including those in the hands of his agents appointed under clause 14 infra as well as the amount realised by such sale. Such books of accounts shall be open to inspection at any time by the Superintendent, Government Press or any other officer deputed by Government for the purpose. The contractor shall afford all facilities in the matter of such inspection.

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